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For: METHOD AND CASTING ROLLER PLANT FOR THE SEMI-
ENDLESS OR ENDLESS ROLLING BY CASTING OF A METAL IN
PARTICULAR A STEEL STRIP WHICH MAY BE TRANSVERSELY
SEPARATED AS REQUIRED AFTER SOLIDIFICATION
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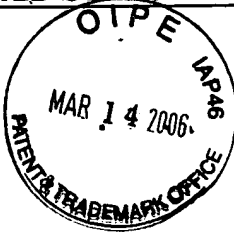


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